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SENATE BILL NO. 367

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CAUTHORN.

Read 1st time February 16, 2005, and ordered printed.

Read 2nd time February 22, 2005, and referred to the Committee on Governmental Accountability and Fiscal Oversight.

Reported from the Committee March 7, 2005, with recommendation that the bill do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Taken up March 16, 2005. Read 3rd time and placed upon its final passage; bill passed.

1656S.01P TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 105.935, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to state employees.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 105.935, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 105.935, to read as follows:

- 105.935. 1. Any state employee who has accrued any overtime hours may choose to use those hours as compensatory leave time provided that the leave time is available and agreed upon by both the state employee and his or her supervisor.
- 2. A state employee who is a nonexempt employee pursuant to the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act shall be eligible for payment of overtime in accordance with subsection 4 of this section. A nonexempt state employee who works on a designated state holiday shall be granted equal compensatory time off duty or shall receive, at his or her choice, the employee's straight time hourly rate in cash payment. A nonexempt state employee shall be paid in cash for overtime unless the employee requests compensatory time off at the applicable overtime rate. As used in this section, the term "state employee" means any person who is employed by the state and earns a salary or wage in a position normally

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

requiring the actual performance by him or her of duties on behalf of the state, but shall not include any employee who is exempt under the provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act or any employee of the general assembly.

- 3. Beginning on January 1, 2006, and annually thereafter each department shall pay all nonexempt state employees in full for any overtime hours accrued during the previous calendar year which have not already been paid or used in the form of compensatory leave time. All nonexempt state employees shall have the option of retaining up to a total of eighty compensatory time hours.
- 4. The provisions of subsection 2 of this section shall only apply to nonexempt state employees who are otherwise eligible for compensatory time under the Fair Labor Standards Act, excluding employees of the general assembly. Any nonexempt state employee requesting cash payment for overtime worked shall notify such employee's department in writing of such decision and state the number of hours, no less than twenty, for which payment is desired. The department shall pay the employee within the calendar [quarter] month following the [quarter] month in which a valid request is made. Nothing in this section shall be construed as creating a new compensatory benefit for state employees.
- 5. Each department shall, by November first of each year, notify the commissioner of administration, the house budget committee chair, and the senate appropriations committee chair of the amount of overtime paid in the previous fiscal year and an estimate of overtime to be paid in the current fiscal year. The fiscal year estimate for overtime pay to be paid by each department shall be designated as a separate line item in the appropriations bill for that department. The provisions of this subsection shall become effective July 1, 2005.
- 6. Each state department shall report quarterly to the house of representatives budget committee chair, the senate appropriations committee chair, and the commissioner of administration the cumulative number of accrued overtime hours for department employees, the dollar equivalent of such overtime hours, the number of authorized full-time equivalent positions and vacant positions, the amount of funds for any vacant positions which will be used to pay overtime compensation for employees with full-time equivalent positions, and the current balance in the department's personal service fund.